## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 173**

## By Clemmons

A RESOLUTION to recognize and congratulate the Hillwood High School cheerleaders upon their participation in the 2015 Universal Cheerleaders Association's National High School Cheerleading Championship.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school athletic teams who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the Hillwood High School cheerleaders achieved an extraordinary level of success during their season, capped by their participation in the 2015 Universal Cheerleaders Association's (UCA) National High School Cheerleading Championship held in Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the first group from Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools to attend the UCA Championship, the Hillwood High School cheerleading squad participated in a four-day competition against over eighty other schools in the nontumbling division; and

WHEREAS, the squad's championship season would not have been possible without the astute knowledge and leadership of their coach, Amber Walker; and

WHEREAS, members of the 2015 Hillwood High School cheerleading squad are:

Brittaney Smothers, Ena Blagajcevic, Heaven Anhalt, Kathryn Christopher, Keana Patterson,

Tyesha McEwen, Caitlin Curley, Haley Barnes, Jordan Knight, Maddi Weiss, Madison Haege,

Serretta Malaikham, Shondrica Johnson, Alyssa Salazar, Caitlyn Kerr, Amanda Vecchiarelli,

Hannah Stroud, Mallory Hobson, and Mariah Boatman; and

WHEREAS, displaying great sportsmanship and outstanding character throughout the season, the cheerleading squad, their coach, and their devoted fans have conducted themselves in a manner appropriate to the integrity of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Hillwood High School cheerleaders epitomize all that is good in today's student-athletes, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young athletes not only made possible a trip to the national competition, but also surely bodes well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Hillwood High School cheerleading squad for their outstanding performance and for serving as examples of the exceptional quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and congratulate the Hillwood High School cheerleaders upon their participation in the 2015 Universal Cheerleaders Association's National High School Cheerleading Championship and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.